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C O N F I D E N T I A L GENEVA 6863

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SREF

SUBJ: INDOCHINESE BOAT CASES

REF: (A) STATE 212638; (B) KUALA LUMPUR 4928; (C) BANGKOK 24122;
(D) MANILA 13092; (E) JAKARTA 11242

1. SINCE AMBASSADOR HAS BEEN UNABLE THUS FAR PRESENT CREDENTIALS TO DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN GENEVA (WINSPEARE) DUE TO LATTER'S ABSENCE, REPRESENTATION REQUESTED PARA 3 REF A WILL BE MADE WITH HIGH COMMISSIONER BY DCM, ACCOMPANIED BY HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS COUNSELOR, ON MONDAY MORNING, AUG 30. (APPINTMENT COULD NOT BE ARRANGED AUGUST 27 DUE TO PREVIOUS COMMITMENTS.)

2. IN INTERIM, MISOFF CALLED ON DEPUTY HIGH COMMISSIONER AND UNHCR OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR BOAT CASES THIS AFTER-NOON TO CONVEY TO THEM WORSENING SITUATION IN THIS REGARD AS REPORTED REFTELS. HE URGED INCREASED ACTIVATION OF UNHCR ROLE AS SPEARHEAD AND COORDINATING
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POINT FOR PROTECTION THESE REFUGEES. AS SUGGESTED REF

B, MISOFF ALSO PROPOSED AUGMENTATION OF UNHCR STAFF
IN SEA TO COPE WITH GROWING PROBLEM. UNHCR OFFICIALS
EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR PRESENTATION AND RECOGNITION
OF NEED FOR REMEDIAL ACTION.

3. LATTER ALSO VOICED DISMAY OVER FORCED RETURN TO
SEA OF CHOU-LONG (REF B), OF WHICH THEY HAD NOT BEEN
APPRISED, IN VIEW OF SAMPATKUMAR'S CURRENT VISIT TO
JAKARTA ON THIS SUBJECT.CATTO

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